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(b) if so, when the Government propose to effect the transformation?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The transformation will be given effect to as soon as the following formalities are over, viz.—

(1) adoption by the general body of the society of certain modifications to its by-laws to bring the by-laws in conformity with the model by-laws for such societies;

(2) obtaining the consent of the financing bank, viz., the Malabar District Co-operative Bank; and

(3) grant of exemption under section 4 of the Madras Co-operative Societies Act to enable the society to be registered on limited liability basis.

Money-lending by private individuals

* 3122 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN (on behalf of Sri M. Kalyanasundaram) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under the consideration of the Government to bring in a bill to regulate money-lending by private individuals?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : As the member is aware the Madras Money-lenders Bill, 1955, was introduced in this House on 29th November 1955 and referred to a Joint Select Committee.

Supply channel in Kilamathur village

* 3123 *Q.*—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any memorandum from the ryots of Kilamathur village, Perambalur taluk, regarding the repair of the supply channel to their irrigation tank; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI : (a) "Yes."

(b) The matter is under consideration.

Courts in Malabar

* 3124 *Q.*—SRI S. RAMALINGAM (on behalf of Sri V. R. Krishna Ayyar) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the number of (1) Magistrate's Courts, (2) Munsif's Courts and (3) Rent Courts opened in Malabar on or after 1st July 1955.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : No courts have been opened on or after 1st July 1955.